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15. [ ] LIAISON Met with Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and discussed the various options available to us in connection with our CIARDS amendments. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

I also covered with Slatinshek the possibility of further public disclosure on two sensitive matters. Slatinshek's reaction was philosophical and he commented in hindsight that it probably was an error to guarantee the mortgage. In connection with the allegation that we have used profits from proprietaries to augment appropriations, Slatinshek asked that I send him a little fact sheet with excerpts from the Rockefeller Commission and Senate Select Committee reports indicating that this was not so.

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[ ] C/CCS, has been advised.

Slatinshek provided me a letter which apparently is in the hands of Jack Anderson making charges that the wild growth of NSA requires that a large part be moved from Fort Meade to rental buildings near Baltimore. Slatinshek does not intend to respond to a call he has received from Anderson's staff on the matter, but he would like a short fact sheet in light of the Director's new role as principal spokesman for the Intelligence Community. General Jack Thomas, IC Staff, has been advised.

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18. (Unclassified - LLM) LEGISLATION Bill Hogan, Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, called and said they would need the clean bill on the CIARDS amendments the first thing Friday morning so that it can be introduced. I told him we would send it up.

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May 4, 1976

Chief Counsel  
Committee on Armed Services  
House of Representatives  
2110 RHOB  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Sir:

As a citizen and taxpayer, I feel I must call to your attention a serious situation involving a \$50,000,000 boondoggle at the National Security Agency. It is my understanding that this agency has grown so big that a large part of it must be moved from Ft. Meade to some rental buildings near Baltimore at fantastic cost and expense to the U.S. Government. If this agency is growing in peace time, it is a terrible shame when other portions of our Defense Department are so hard-pressed for money for well-planned and useful items for our defense.

If this wild growth at the National Security Agency is justified, it would seem reasonable to see this boondoggle expand on the Ft. Meade post where there are plenty of empty buildings, rather than spend millions of tax dollars needlessly on rental property up in Baltimore.

I am sorry, but I cannot sign this letter, because I am employed by the Government, and I believe I could lose my job.

A Concerned Taxpayer

cc: Head Executive, National Security Agency  
Jack Anderson, Washington Post